

**REMARKS**

Applicant acknowledges the Examiner's indication of allowable subject matter of claims 1-12.

In the Drawings, the Examiner objected to the placement of the lead line of reference numeral 36 as incorrectly pointing to spring 20. Applicant has amended FIG. 1 to correct the lead line of reference numeral 36 so that it points to metal ring 36.

In the Specification, the Examiner objected to inconsistent nomenclature and typographical errors in paragraphs [0038-41]. Applicant thanks the Examiner for pointing out these inconsistencies and errors and has appropriately amended these paragraphs, thereby obviating these rejections.

The Examiner also objected to the title as not being descriptive. Applicants disagree. The title, Light Connector Coupling, is clearly indicative of the invention to which the claims are directed. All twelve claims are directed to "a light conductor coupling." Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to withdraw the objection to the title.

In the Claims, the Examiner objected to claims 1, 3, 9 and 10. Applicant has amended claim 1 to clarify the claimed invention. Applicant has amended claims 3 and 10 to provide proper antecedent basis for all the recitations. Applicant declines to amend claim 9. Claim 9, which depends from claim 7, recites that "the second coupling part includes a microprocessor which processes the electric signals created in the receiving device." Claim 7 recites that "the second coupling part includes a receiving device which creates electric signals from the optical signals transmitted to the light conducting element of the second coupling part." Claim 7 recites a receiving device that creates electric signals. Claim 9 recites a microprocessor which processes these electric signals. Applicants respectfully submit that the antecedent bases for all of the recitations of claim 9 are proper.

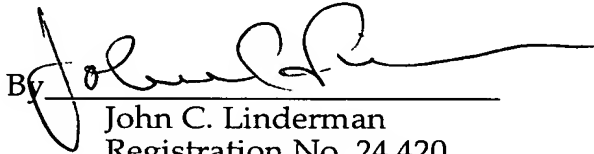
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In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that pending claim 1-12 and the present application are in condition for allowance, and action to that effect is earnestly solicited

Should the Examiner have any questions regarding the present application, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner contact Applicant's representative at the phone number listed below.

Applicant submits a check in payment of the \$110.00 one-month extension fee. If additional fees are due, please charge any deficiencies to our Deposit Account No. 13-0235.

Respectfully submitted,

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**Amendments to the Drawings**

Please replace Sheet 1/6, including FIG. 1, with Replacement Sheet 1/6, attached hereto. FIG. 1 has been amended to correctly position the indicator line of reference numeral 36 in the assembled coupling part 10 of FIG. 1. The indicator line of reference numeral 36, which had pointed to spring 20, has been amended to point to metal ring 36.